Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A digital image storage system comprising:

a digital camera having a memory capable of storing digital images;

a docking station on which the digital camera can be placed to transmit digital images stored in the digital camera memory through the docking station;

a data storage having a storage medium that stores the digital images transmitted through the docking station, the data storage having a housing that is separated from a housing that has the docking station; and

a controller that controls the data storage so that the transmitted digital images are stored in a predetermined folder prepared in the storage medium, wherein the controller automatically prepares a subfolder within the predetermined folder prior to the storage of the transmitted digital images and stores the transmitted digital images in the subfolder.~~,~~

~~the docking station includes an indicator that indicates a state of communication between the digital camera and the data storage.~~

2. (Canceled)

3. (Currently Amended) The digital image storage system according to ~~claim 2~~ claim 1, wherein the controller names the subfolder based on a date when the controller prepared the subfolder.

4. (Currently Amended) A digital image storage system comprising:

a digital camera having a memory capable of storing digital images;

a docking station on which the digital camera can be placed for transmission of the digital images from the digital camera memory; and

a data storage having a storage medium that stores the digital images that have been transmitted from the digital camera memory through the docking station, the data storage having a housing that is separated from a housing that has the docking station, wherein the data storage includes a controller that prepares a folder in the storage medium in advance of the transmission of the digital images and stores the transmitted digital images in the folder, wherein the controller automatically prepares a subfolder within the folder prior to the storage of the transmitted digital images and stores the transmitted digital images in the subfolder.~~;~~

~~the docking station includes an indicator that indicates a state of communication between the digital camera and the data storage.~~

5. (Currently Amended) The digital image storage system according to claim 4, wherein the controller gives the ~~folder~~ subfolder a name relating to a date when the controller stored the digital images in the ~~folder~~ subfolder.

6. - 11. (Canceled)

12. (Previously Presented) The digital image storage system according to claim 1, wherein the controller is a controller housed by the data storage.

13. (Canceled)

14. (Previously Presented) The digital image storage system according to claim 4, wherein the controller automatically prepares the folder in the storage medium in advance of the transmission of the digital images.

15. - 16. (Canceled)

17. (Previously Presented) The digital image storage system according to claim 1, wherein the docking station has a shape to fit a bottom of the digital camera.

18. (Previously Presented) The digital image storage system according to claim 4, wherein the docking station has a shape to fit a bottom of the digital camera.

19. (New) A digital image storage capable of receiving digital images from a digital camera through a docking station on which the digital camera can be placed, the digital image storage comprising:

a storage medium that stores the digital images that have been received through the docking station; and

a controller that executes a program to prepare a folder in the storage medium in advance of receipt of the digital images from the digital camera and to store the received digital images in the folder, wherein the controller automatically prepares a subfolder within the folder prior to the storage of the transmitted digital images and stores the transmitted digital images in the subfolder.

20. (New) The digital image storage according to claim 19, wherein the controller detects a signal from the docking station and automatically prepares the folder in response to the signal.

21. (New) The digital image storage according to claim 19, wherein the controller detects a signal to cause the digital image storage to receive digital images transmitted through the docking station, and wherein the controller automatically prepares the folder in the storage medium in response to the signal.

22. (New) The digital image storage according to claim 19, wherein the controller gives the subfolder a name relating to a date when the controller prepared the subfolder.

23. (New) A processor executable recording medium that stores a program that includes instructions that when executed by a processor, causes the processor to perform a method comprising:

detecting a signal from a docking station on which a digital camera can be placed, the signal indicating a transmission of digital images stored in a memory of the digital camera through the docking station; and

storing the digital images transmitted through the docking station so that the transmitted digital images are stored in a predetermined folder prepared in a storage medium, wherein the storing includes automatically preparing a subfolder within the predetermined folder prior to the storage of the transmitted digital images and storing the transmitted digital images in the subfolder.

24. (New) The processor executable recording medium according to claim 23, wherein the program includes instructions to name the subfolder based on a date when the digital images are transmitted from the memory through the docking station.